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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2120**

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Applicants : Francesco Pappalardo et al.  
Application No. : 09/778,669  
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For : METHOD FOR PROCESSING FUZZY INFERENCES AND  
CORRESPONDING PROCESSING STRUCTURE

Examiner : Joseph P. Hirl  
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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2004, please extend the period of time for response two months, to expire on July 19, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.